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Impact of Shorter T+1 Settlement Cycle on US Markets More Severe than Expected, Citi Survey Finds.

The transition to a shorter settlement cycle for US securities transactions has had a more profound impact than anticipated, according to a recent Citigroup survey.

Implemented in May, the new timeline reduced the settlement period for equities, corporate bonds, and municipal bonds from two business days to one, known as T+1.

While this acceleration was designed to enhance market efficiency, it has introduced unforeseen challenges for global market participants.

Citigroup's <u>Securities Services Evolution survey</u>, conducted in June with nearly 500 institutions, reveals that 44% of buy- and sell-side firms found the shift to T+1 to be "more impactful than expected."

This finding highlights the broader implications of the accelerated settlement cycle on the trading ecosystem.

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